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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

Khawar Iqbal

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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-24 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on ____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: ____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

1. Regarding claims 11 and 22, the phrase "such as" renders the claim indefinite because it is unclear whether the limitations following the phrase are part of the claimed invention. See MPEP § 2173.05(d).
2. Claims 1, 13 are objected to because of the following informalities: The use of "and/or" makes the claim indefinite since the slash mark means either "and" or "or". Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

4. Claims 1-11, 13-22 and 24 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being unpatentable by Hsu et al (6587684).
5. Regarding claim 1 Hsu et al a method of providing telecommunication services in a telecommunication system comprising at least one terminal, a serving network providing the terminal with services, and at least one bearer network in functional connection with the serving network, the method comprising (figs. 1,4):

creating at least one database comprising subscriber data, from which there is a functional connection to the bearer network (col.14, lines 50-65);

establishing a connection between the serving network and the terminal being established by means of a subscriber application comprised by the terminal (col.14, line 65-col. 15, line6);

establishing a data transmission connection between the terminal and said subscriber database (col.15, lines 1-10);

checking the right of the terminal to use said subscriber database (col.15, lines 7-25);

transmitting subscriber data from said subscriber database and/or the bearer network to the terminal and/or the serving network in response to the terminal having the right to use said subscriber database (col.15, lines 10-29); and providing the terminal with services according to at least said transmitted subscriber data (col. 15, lines 10-40).

Regarding claim 13 Hsu et al a telecommunication system comprising at least one terminal, a serving network providing the terminal with services, and at least one bearer network in functional connection with the serving network, wherein the bearer network is configured to create at least one database comprising subscriber data, a functional connection being configured between said at least one subscriber database and the bearer network (figs. 1,4);

the terminal and the serving network are configured to establish a connection by means of a subscriber application comprised by the terminal (col.14, lines 40-65);

the terminal and the serving network are configured to establish a data transmission connection between the terminal and said subscriber database (col.14, line 55-col. 15, line 10);

said subscriber database is configured to check the right of the terminal to use said subscriber database (col.15, lines 11-29);

said subscriber database and/or the bearer network are/is configured to transmit subscriber data to the terminal and/or serving network in response to the terminal having the right to use said subscriber database; and the serving network is configured to provide services for the terminal in accordance with at least said transmitted subscriber data (col.15, lines 15-50).

Regarding claims 2,14 Hsu et al wherein said subscriber data to be transmitted comprise a subscriber identifier (col. 14, lines, 40-45, 50-65).

Regarding claims 3,15 Hsu et al wherein said subscriber data to be transmitted to the serving network comprise a subscriber identifier according to said subscriber database; said subscriber identifier is associated in the serving network with the identifier of the subscriber application comprised by the terminal; the terminal is identified outside the serving network on the basis of said subscriber identifier; and data to the subscriber of said subscriber database are directed in the serving network to the terminal (col. 14, lines, 40-65, col. 15, lines 10-29).

Regarding claims 4,16 Hsu et al wherein the address of said subscriber database, such as an IP address, is transmitted from the terminal to the serving

network; and a connection is established from the terminal to said subscriber database on the basis of the address of said subscriber database (col. 14, lines, 40-67).

Regarding claims 5,17 Hsu et al transmitting location information about the terminal to at least one bearer network; and transmitting data directed to the subscriber of said subscriber database to the serving network on the basis of said location information (col. 15, lines 51-59).

Regarding claims 6, Hsu et al wherein said subscriber data comprise information about the services to be provided for the subscriber (col. 15, lines 10-40).

Regarding claims 7,18 Hsu et al wherein said subscriber data comprise the subscriber's personal data (col. 14, lines 50-65, col. 15, lines 10-40).

Regarding claims 8,19 Hsu et al wherein services of the bearer network are activated for use for the terminal by means of said transmitted subscriber data (col. 14, lines 50-65, col. 15, lines 10-40).

Regarding claims 9,20 Hsu et al wherein the information about said subscriber database to be used is transmitted from the terminal to the serving network (col. 14, lines 40-65).

Regarding claims 10,21 Hsu et al arranging the subscriber data in said subscriber database to be modified by the terminal and/or the bearer network (col. 16, lines 53-65).

Regarding claims 11,22 Hsu et al wherein said telecommunication system is a mobile communication system; and said subscriber database comprises data that are at

least partly the same as in the subscriber application, such as a USIM application (col. 14, lines 30-50).

As to claim, it is considered that 24 is broader than claim 1 and therefore the claim 24 is rejected for the same reason as set forth in the claim 1.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

6. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

7. Claims 12, 23 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Hsu et al (6587684) and further in view of Oh (6519458).

8. Regarding claims 12,23 Hsu et al teaches the thin client browser software is executable by the CPU 80 and has a size of about 100-200 kilobytes. The thin client browser 88 uses an internet URL-encoding format, for example device://file/parameters, to communicate between the digital telephone 16 and an addressed server, such as the proxy gateway server 20 or the provisioning server 24. Hsu et al does not specifically teach wherein the connection between the terminal and said subscriber database is established by using WAP technology.

In an analogous art, Oh et al teaches wherein the connection between the terminal and said subscriber database is established by using WAP technology (col. 3, lines 3342, col. 5, lines 58-65). The WAP is a protocol, which is being diversified and standardized in various modes, that enables the mobile terminal itself to carry out an

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Internet service, facsimile service, electronic mail service and TCP/IP connection, through wireless connection. Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify the device of Hsu et al by specifically adding features the terminal and the subscriber database is established by using WAP technology in order to the IP address of an Internet application based on WAP as taught by Oh et al.

Conclusion

9. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Leung (676044), Adamany et al (6735429), Lee et al (6751459), Mizutani et al (6731621), Lim (6697355), Mijares et al (6683881), Joong (6549776), Chow et al (6594488), Feltner et al (6515997), Skog (6427076) and Dynarski (6272129) teach IP-Address is the address being sniffed and "domain" is the domain of the WAP authentication server.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to KHAWAR IQBAL whose telephone number is 703-306-3015.

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